



Wrapped up in lights: Julia got a first-hand look at Macarthur Disability Services' new sensory room at its launch last week. **Picture: Jeff de Pasquale**

Room for improvement

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MACARTHUR Disability Service's Rob Moran's idea for a sensory room at the organisation's Camden house became a reality last week – two years and much hard work after he first proposed it.

The sensory room is designed to stimulate all the senses. It has a mattress that vibrates to music, a swinging chair, giant bean bag and musical steps.

Mr Moran said all items in the room helped a range of disadvantages and also had social benefits.

"When you have a teenager they will have friends over and go outside to have fun. This room will allow children with a disability to bring friends here to play," Mr Moran said.

Camden Mayor Chris Patterson opened the sensory room. Part of the \$50,000 raised to build it came from the proceeds from last year's Mayoral Ball.

"Camden Council are very grateful for the small small way we were able to contribute to the sensory room and I congratulate Anne and her team for their wonderful work," he said. "I hope that everybody that gets to use it gets great joy out of it because that's its intention."



Celebration: Camden Mayor Chris Patterson (centre) joined Macarthur Disability Services' Rob Moran (from left), Anne Thorn and Tony Eager at the launch.